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Indo-Nepal JWG on Power Cooperation
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether fourth meeting of the Indo-Nepal joint working group and joint steering Committee of power cooperation was held recently, if so, the details thereof along with the main issues discussed in the meeting and the outcome thereof;

(b) whether both the countries have agreed to build new cross-border power transmission lines to help in the distribution of electricity from power projects being developed in Nepal;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has agreed to supply more electricity to Nepal; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) : The fourth meeting of Indo-Nepal Joint Working Group (JWG) and Joint Steering Committee (JSC) was held recently in Nepal. The main issues discussed in the meeting and outcome are as follows :-

1. The progress/status of the existing, on-going and new cross-border transmission lines between India and Nepal.

2. The progress of Arun-III and other hydro projects along with their Associated Transmission System (ATS).

3. Bilateral Exchange of 'Technical Know How" in the power sector.

It was decided that modalities and terms & conditions for bilateral mode of trading of power, through on-going cross-border transmission lines can be discussed separately.

(b) & (c) : Possibility of constructing following new cross-border power transmission lines for exchange of power between India and Nepal were discussed in the above meeting:

1) New Butwal (Nepal)- Gorakhpur (New)(India) 400kV D/C (Quad Moose) line.

2) Dhalkebar (Nepal)- Muzaffarpur (India) 400 kV D/C (IInd) (Quad Moose) line.

3) Upper Karnali/ Lumki(Nepal)- Bareilly (India) 400kv D/c (Quad Moose) line.

(d) & (e) : At present, the total power drawn by Nepal from India is about 370 MW − 380 MW, through existing 33kV/132kV transmission lines. There is no decision at present on additional power supply to Nepal.

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